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John A. McCone was confirmed by the Senate as director of the Central Intelligence Agency last week by a 71 to 12 vote after three days of debate. Sen. J. William Fulbright, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, led the opposition, which centered around McCone's ownership of more than $1 million of stock in Standard Oil of California, which has relationships with the governments of Arabia and Bahrein as one of four participants in Arabian-American Oil Co. (Aramco). Sen. Stuart Symington led the support for McCone, who served as under secretary of the Air Force when Symington was Air Force secretary during the Truman Administration. McCone also was Atomic Energy Commission chairman under the Eisenhower Administration.

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